

Amendment(s) to the Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) An item of transformable furniture comprising:

a first plate and a second plate connected with each other by a horizontal hinge joint;

a first horizontal axis parallel to an axis of said hinge joint and associated with said first plate so that said first plate can rotate around said first horizontal axis;

a second horizontal axis parallel to said axis of said hinge joint and located at a different level than said first horizontal axis, said second horizontal axis associated with said second plate so that said second plate can rotate about said second horizontal axis; and

a fixing mechanism wherein the first plate can rotate around a first horizontal axis parallel to the axis of the hinge joint and the second plate can rotate around a second horizontal axis parallel to the axis of the hinge joint and located at a different level than the first horizontal axis, so that releasably fixes the angular position between said plates and the allows the plates can to switch over between and be releasably secured in a first position as a seat and a back and a second position as a front panel and a worktop, respectively.

Claim 2 (currently amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 1, further comprising a supporting construction associated with said first plate and said

second plate ~~for the two plates~~ comprising a first lateral vertical element and a second lateral vertical element linked together at a distance from one another, so that ~~the two plates~~ said first plate and said second plate are located between said ~~two~~ first and second linked lateral vertical elements

Claim 3 (currently amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 2, wherein said ~~two~~ first and second linked lateral vertical elements are formed as closed pipe frames with armrests in the an upper part of the respective frame or as open pipe frames without armrests.

Claim 4 (currently amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 2, wherein said ~~two~~ first and second linked lateral vertical elements are formed as solid lateral vertical elements.

Claim 5 (previously amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 1, wherein the second plate serving as a back and worktop is connected to the second horizontal axis by means of a slot which enables a rotational and translational movement of the plate in relation to said axis.

Claim 6 (previously amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 5 wherein the first plate serving as a seat and front panel is penetrated by the first horizontal axis.

Claim 7 (cancelled).

Claim 8 (previously amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 7, wherein the fixing mechanism is located in one of said plates.

Claim 9 (previously amended) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 7, wherein the fixing mechanism is located in the hinge joint.

Claim 10 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 1, wherein said first plate has a slot that receives said first horizontal axis therein and said first horizontal axis is adapted to slide along said slot to allow said chair to transform into said desk.

Claim 11 (new) An item of transformable furniture comprising:

- a first plate and a second plate connected with each other by a horizontal hinge joint;

- a first horizontal axis parallel to an axis of said hinge joint and associated with said first plate so that said first plate can rotate around said first horizontal axis;

- a second horizontal axis parallel to said axis of said hinge joint and located at a different level than said first horizontal axis, said second horizontal axis associated with said second plate so that said second plate can rotate about said second horizontal axis; and

a fixing mechanism associated with one of said first plate, said second plate and said hinge joint;

wherein the fixing mechanism allows the plates to switch between and be releasably secured in a first position as a seat and a back and a second position as a front panel and a worktop.

Claim 12 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 11, further comprising a supporting construction associated with said first plate and said second plate comprising a first lateral vertical element and a second later vertical element linked together at a distance from one another, so that said first plate and said second plate are located between said first and second linked lateral vertical elements

Claim 13 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 12, wherein said first and second linked lateral vertical elements are formed as closed frames with armrests in an upper part of the respective frame or as open frames without armrests.

Claim 14 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 12, wherein said first and second linked lateral vertical elements are formed as solid lateral vertical elements.

Claim 15 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 11, wherein the second plate serving as a back and worktop is connected to the second horizontal axis

by means of a slot which enables a rotational and translational movement of the plate in relation to said axis.

Claim 16 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 15 wherein the first plate serving as a seat and front panel is penetrated by the first horizontal axis.

Claim 17 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 11, wherein said fixing mechanism fixes the angular position between said plates.

Claim 18 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 17, wherein the fixing mechanism is located in one of said plates.

Claim 19 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 17, wherein the fixing mechanism is located in the hinge joint.

Claim 20 (new) An item of transformable furniture according to claim 11, wherein said first plate has a slot that receives said first horizontal axis therein and said first horizontal axis is adapted to slide along said slot to allow said chair to transform into said desk.

Claim 21 (new) A chair capable of being transformed into a desk and vice versa, comprising:

a supporting construction;

a first horizontal axis associated with said supporting construction;

a second horizontal axis associated with said supporting construction and spaced from said first horizontal axis;

a first substantially flat element having a slot that receives said first horizontal axis therein;

a second substantially flat element associated with said second horizontal axis and connected to said first substantially flat element by a hinge joint; and

a fixing mechanism associated with one of said first substantially flat element, said second substantially flat element and said hinge joint;

wherein said first horizontal axis is adapted to slide along said slot to allow said chair to transform into said desk; and

wherein said fixing mechanism is adapted to releasably fix the angular position of the first and second substantially flat elements.